

Conditor alme siderum

Creator of the stars of night

Adapt. from John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

Plainchant

Introduction (choir)

Con - di - tor al - me si - der - um ae - ter - na lux cre - den - ti - um
Chris - te re - demp - tor om - ni - um ex - au - di pre - ces sup - pli - cum.

Hymn (congregation)

1. Cre - a - tor of the stars of night, your peo - ple's ev - er - last - ing light,
2. In sor - row that an an - cient curse should doom to death a u - ni - verse,
3. When this old world drew on to night, you came; but not in splen - dor bright,
4. Come in your ho - ly might, we pray, re - deem us for e - ter - nal day;
O come, re - deem - er of us all, we pray you hear us when we call.
O come, O sa - vior, set us free, your own in glo - rious li - ber - ty.
not as a mon - arch, but the child of Ma - ry, blame - less mo - ther mild.
de - fend us while we dwell be - low from all that comes from fear of foe.

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Cistercian antiphonal from the Abbey of Salzinnes, Namur, in the Diocese of Liège.

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